

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE DAY

COMMEMORATING THE 220th ANNIVERSARY

2009

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, an Act to establish the Judicial Court of the United States approved on September 24, 1789, establishing the United States Marshals Service and directing the appointment of U.S. Marshals; and

WHEREAS, President George Washington appointed thirteen U.S. Marshals in 1789; and

WHEREAS, during 220 years of service the U.S. Marshals have executed warrants, distributed presidential proclamations, registered enemy aliens in time of war, helped conduct national census, protected the President of the United States and federal courts, provided for the custody and transportation of federal prisoners, maintained and disposed of seized and forfeited properties, ensured the safe conduct of judicial proceedings, protected federal judges and jurors and other members of the federal judiciary, provided for the security of witnesses and directed and coordinated fugitive task forces to apprehend dangerous fugitives; and

WHEREAS, during 220 years of service, U.S. Marshals conduct their mission of fugitive apprehension with skill and valor, having arrested more than 110,000 wanted felons and conducted over 700 extraditions to date during fiscal year 2009; and

WHEREAS, we honor the memory and sacrifice of over 240 U.S. Marshals, Deputy Marshals, Special Deputy Marshals and Marshal Guards who have given their lives in service to our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Carolina wish to honor and show appreciation to the men and women of the United States Marshals Service who have served our nation and North Carolina valiantly with dedication to justice and integrity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2009, as "UNITED STATES MARSHALS DAY", and urge all citizens to commend its observance.

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREO have here o set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Laleigh this sixt enth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-fourth.